

MA THE CLEVELAND MUSEUM OF ART

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MUSEUM'S WEDNESDAY EVENING FESTIVALS IN JULY FOCUS ON AMERICAN ARTS & CRAFTS

The Cleveland Museum of Art's Wednesday Evening Festivals this year focus on the exhibition American Arts & Crafts 1890-1920. The Festivals, now in their fifteenth year, will be held from 5:30-9:45 pm on Wednesdays, July 6, 13, 20, and 27.

Each Wednesday evening in July, the Museum presents a musical performance as well as a feature film, an art film, and a lecture related to the exhibition. The public is cordially invited to enjoy an alfresco supper in the garden courtyard, visit the galleries (open until 9:45 pm), and attend one or all of these free summer festivities. A lecture in the series "Art for Life's Sake: The Arts & Crafts Movement in America" will be offered at 8:00 pm each Wednesday.

Box suppers, served from 6:15-7:30 pm, are \$8.00 for members, \$8.50 for nonmembers. Only cash, check, or Visa, Master, or American Express cards will be accepted. Tickets may be purchased at the Museum Bookstore beginning June 1 (Tuesday-Sunday during Museum hours). In addition, beginning June 20, telephone reservations and charges will be accepted by the Museum's Special Events Office (421-7340, ext. 153, weekdays 10:00 am-2:00 pm only); check payment for all reservations must be received by Monday noon the week of the Festival. Tickets charged by telephone can be picked up in the North Lobby on the evening of the Festival. The attached pages give weekly listings of the Festival events.

2--festivals

WEDNESDAY, JULY 6

Music--5:30 pm, Gartner Auditorium

The Cleveland Wind Symphony

Stephen Miller conducts a 15-member ensemble of area musicians in works by Mozart, Mendelssohn, and Françaix.

Art Film--5:30 & 7:00 pm, Lecture Hall

Possessions (series on British houses)

Supper--6:15-7:30 pm, Outer Courtyard

Feature Film--8:00 pm, Gartner Auditorium

It's a Gift (USA, 1934)

Directed by Norman Z. McLeod; with W.C. Fields, Baby LeRoy, and Kathleen Howard. Beleaguered grocer Harold Bissonette abandons his nerve-wracking small-town existence to grow oranges out West. B&W, 71 min.

Lecture--8:00 pm, Recital Hall

Progressive Yet Dedicated to the Cause Conservative: The Architecture of the Arts and Crafts Movement. Richard Guy Wilson, Associate Professor of Architectural History, University of Virginia

WEDNESDAY, JULY 13

Music--5:30 pm, Gartner Auditorium

The Dolce Trio

Cellists Paul Kosower and his children, Mark and Paula, perform works by J.S. Bach, Beethoven, Reicha, Randall Davidson, and Mark Kosower.

Art Film--5:30 & 7:00 pm, Lecture Hall

Technical Developments (series on British houses)

Supper--6:15-7:30 pm, Outer Courtyard

Feature Film--8:00 pm, Gartner Auditorium

Mr. Blandings Builds His Dream House (USA, 1935)

Directed by H.C. Potter; with Cary Grant, Myrna Loy, and Melvyn Douglas. A city couple build their dream house in the country, with unexpected results, B&W, 94 min.

Lecture--8:00 pm, Recital Hall

American Crafts, Old and New. Jonathan Fairbanks, The Katherine Lane Weems Curator of American Decorative Arts and Sculpture, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston

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WEDNESDAY, JULY 20

Music--5:30 pm, Gartner Auditorium

Duo Pontremoli

Violinist Terri Pontremoli and pianist Anita Pontremoli, sisters known to Clevelanders for their solo and chamber ensemble appearances, perform works by Beethoven, Ravel, and Gershwin.

Art Film--5:30 & 7:00 pm, Lecture Hall

Planning for Comfort and Style (series on British houses)

Supper--6:15-7:30 pm, Outer Courtyard

Film--8:00 pm, Gartner Auditorium

Lost in America (USA, 1986)

Directed by Albert Brooks; with Albert Brooks and Julie Hagerty. Brooks plays a slick Los Angeles adman who walks out on his boss, withdraws his life savings, and embarks on a cross-country odyssey. Color, 91 min. Rated R

Lecture--8:00 pm, Recital Hall

The Art Potteries of Ohio 1875-1930. Kenneth Trapp, Associate Curator, Crafts and Decorative Arts, The Oakland Museum

WEDNESDAY, JULY 27

Music--5:30 pm, Gartner Auditorium

Kent/Blossom Music

A wind ensemble of students from Kent State University's summer school performs works by Mozart and Poulenc.

Art Film--5:30 & 7:00 pm, Lecture Hall

A Day in Service (series on British houses)

Supper--6:15-7:30 pm, Outer Courtyard

Feature Film--8:00 pm, Gartner Auditorium

Local Hero (Great Britain, 1983)

Bill Forsyth's whimsical tale of a young executive sent to Scotland to buy a quaint coastal village for a Texas oil tycoon. Stars Peter Riegert and Burt Lancaster. Color, 111 min.

Lecture--8:00 pm, Recital Hall

Chicago Metalsmiths. Sharon Darling, Director, Motorola Museum, Chicago

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